## Minutes of the Full Governing Board Meeting

## Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021, 6pm, Tavistock Primary and Nursery School

Please note: This meeting is open to the public. Meeting dates are published in the school newsletter and on the website. If you would like to attend please notify the Clerk to the Governors.

CHAIRED BY: Darren Newland	DN	CLERKED BY: Karen Wright	KWr
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**PRESENT:** Heather Alexander (HA), Tim Bonney (TB), Pat Dickinson (PD), Laura Handel (LH), Sue James (SJ), Darren Newland (DN), Nick Nottley (NN), Matt Page (MP), Mike Smith (MS), Karen Wright (KWr)

APOLOGIES: Liz Beckett (LB), Ben Chilcott (BC), Kirsten Wake (KW)

NIL HEARD FROM: None

Item Ref.	Minutes	Action
FG21/22_22	Apologies for absence Apologies were accepted from LB (personal commitment), KW (sick leave).	DECISION
FG21/22_23	Business/Pecuniary Interest Register  None declared.	

Item Ref.	Minutes	Action
FG21/22_24	Vision – Where are we now?	
	Minutes of the last meeting Minutes of FGB meeting on 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2021 were approved and signed.	DECISION
	Actions of the last meetings:  22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2021  FG20/21 68  - Review of Strategic Plan: Q1 – Academy documentation has been published on eschools.	COMPLETED
	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	COMPLETED
	<ul> <li>FG21/22 08</li> <li>Change to the name of First and Second Committees. Governors agreed to keep the existing names.</li> <li>Code of Conduct has been amended. Signed by DN.</li> </ul>	COMPLETED COMPLTED
	- Linking the staff training to SSIP – HA has actioned.  FG21/22_12	ONGOING
	- DN to contact Karen Powell regarding HT Recruitment. Ongoing.  Additional Business	ACTION LH
	Reading Lead has yet to be decided.	
	<ul> <li>19<sup>th</sup> October 2021         FG21/22_18     </li> <li>Supporting children at school with medical needs – Revision to be presented to governors.</li> </ul>	ACTION LH
	<ul> <li>Safeguarding training details to be sent to NN, TB and MS.</li> <li>Governors approved the Admissions Policy.</li> <li>Staff Leave Policy – no amendments needed. Governors approved.</li> <li>Staff Absence Reporting Policy – Wolfstans Policy not robust. DCC policy can not currently be accessed as we do not purchase their HR services. Quote to be obtained.</li> </ul>	ACTION KWr DECISION DECISION ACTION KWr
	FG21/22 20 - James Bowles to attend January FGB meeting, to provide training on OneDrive KW to look at filing of EYFS Monitoring Reports.	c/f FGB Jan ACTION KW
FG21/22_25	Leadership - Headteachers Report	
	Q1. Monitoring Form 8GEN (DN) A1. Some staff have done and some have not. 4 subject areas have been done. Good that spread out across the year. Teaching and Learning Monitoring forms of what they need to look at as a subject leader. Depends where they are in terms of their curriculum. Babcock has delivered two early reading and phonics sessions to teaching staff and some support staff. Reception children have started using this which has had a positive start. SIP page 4 Reading Introduced a book review in assembly. Each teacher in upper KS2 assembly has recommended a book to pupils and then the books are available for them to read. Conferencing reading across the school. Ensure that book chosen matches their ability. Reflect in displays around school. SIP Page 6 Subject leaders have time to address the needs of their curriculum maps. Expectation is detailed for that term. Check that vocabulary is embedded through the school. (LH)	CHALLENGE
	Q2. Monitoring Form 7GEN (MS) A2. Reading gap in year 1 for gds and expected. Extensive plan from progress meetings in Summer term	CHALLENGE

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	Reception parents phonics training – training in next two weeks TB agreed to attend.  Will look at using tutoring income to focus on gaps reading and phonics Writing gap – need to learn reading and phonics before writing Disadvantaged children Assessment Reception children only emerging or expected. No longer exceeding available to be used. Discussed new ways of assessment – reception baseline will be a measure against year 6 results.  Year 1 phonics – COVID gap from last year and gone back again. Data in now is where they are now not where they will be at the end of the year.  Most impact good wave teaching – having impact at the moment Is vocabulary reviewed – vocabulary is built on throughout school. What is working and why red as working towards but not there yet. After discussion it was agreed that it would be changed to amber not red.  SLT monitoring is being backed up by Monitoring visits with KS 1 – Mike want to teach deep not wide. Pat agreed should be wide and deep not scattered.  LH shared advice from a colleague about governor visits doing class observations to validate the reports that are given at meetings.  Nick correlation reason for absence between absence and COVID. LH reported that there were three children identified. Original absence reporting around covid didn't use the correct code which may have skewed the results.  SEND end of 2020 had 4 EHCP's currently have 16. 2 further applications School has made and 1 parent application have all exceeded the timescale. Admissions team wrote reference 2 further EHCP children who have been home tutored being directed for school to take. This will give a total of 21.  KWr advised that if these are all received that we need to look at Element 2 funding.  SENDCo's time is being taken up by quantity of EHCPs and paperwork that this generates. Also 4 children on annexe R timetable. SENDCo set up nuture group 9-11am each morning. Modelling by SENDCo to TA's.  HA reported that we have taken off day to day routine roles of SENDCo to give time. LH to write a	ACTION LH/G CHALLENGE
FG21/22_26	Business Management - SBM Report	
	Verbal overview of submitted report given by KWr.	

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021, Full Governing Board Meeting, 6pm, Tavistock Primary and Nursery School

## These minutes are agreed

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